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For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**MS Amendment**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2006, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration in view of the remarks presented herein below.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.